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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT TO JOURNALISTS BY CLARK M.
CLIFFORD AFTER MEETING WITH TURKISH PRIME MINISTER SULEYMAN
DEMIREL MON 21 FEB:

(BEGIN TEXT)

I HAVE LOOKED FORWARD FOR A LONG TIME TO HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY
OF HAVING THIS KIND OF TALK WITH YOUR PRIME MINISTER. I BROUGHT
TO PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL A PERSONAL LETTER TO HIM FROM
PRESIDENT CARTER. IN THAT LETTER PRESIDENT CARTER RECALLED
THE MANY YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP THAT HAVE EXISTED BETWEEN THE
UNITED STATES AND TURKEY. IN THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN
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TWO FRIENDLY POWERS SUCH AS THE UNITED STATES AND TURKEY SOME-
TIMES PROBLEMS WILL ARISE. THE PRIME MINISTER AND I HAVE
HAD A LENGTHY TALK AND HAVE ADDRESSED OURSELVES TO THE
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. I BELIEVE THAT
THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD AGREE WITH ME WHEN I SAY THAT WE
HAVE HAD A VERY VALUABLE AND MEANINGFUL TALK AND WE
BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE MADE EXCELLENT PROGRESS. I WOULD

LIKE TO USE THIS OPPORTUNITY OF EXPRESSING MY APPRECIATION
TO THE PRIME MINISTER FOR HIS EXCEEDINGLY COURTEOUS RECEPTION,
AND FOR HIS FRANKNESS IN DISCUSSING THE FRIENDLY RELATION-
SHIPS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND TURKEY. IT IS THE AIM
OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND MY GOVERNMENT THAT OUR FRIENDLY
RELATIONSHIPS SHALL BROADEN AND DEEPEN AND EXTEND FOR
MANY, MANY YEARS INTO THE FUTURE. THAT IS THE END OF MY
STATEMENT, AND I THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
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